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[1](#)1. (U) Classified by Marcelle M. Wahba, Ambassador,
reason 1.5 (B) and (D).

[1](#)2. (C) DCM delivered reftel points April 27 on UAE
participation in the Informal International Contact
Group for Iraq to MFA A/USEC for Political Affairs
Abdullah Rashed al Nuaimi, noting that the UAE's
regional perspective, its experience with Iraq and its
port and transportation infrastructure and capable
business community would add value to the Contact
Group discussions. DCM also conveyed the draft agenda
for the April 29 conference call, the minutes of the
April 22 call, the discussion points on reconstruction
and a donors' conference, as well as the call in
information.

13. (C) A/USEC Al-Nuaimi underscored the UAEG commitment to contributing to Contact Group discussions, noting that Shaykh Hamdan had chaired a ministerial meeting April 26 at which the Cabinet had approved participation. He said that the government was still determining who would represent the UAE in the Contact Group, but indicated that the UAE would need more than one participant because of its federal structure and the role that Dubai stood to play in Iraq reconstruction. He suggested Dubai Ports and Customs Authority Executive Chairman Sultan bin Sulayim as a likely participant. On April 28, MFA MINSTATE Hamdan bin Zayed called the Ambassador to confirm that three UAE officials would participate in the April 29 teleconference: Abdullah Rashed Al-Nuaimi, Finance MINSTATE Dr. Mohamed Khalfan bin Khirbash and Sultan bin Sulayim. The three will gather in Dr. Khirbash's office to participate in the call.

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